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B. AT THE SAME TIME FRFERENCES WERE MADE TO THE APPROXIMATE  
DEFINITION OF NEW TYPES AND NEW SYSTEMS OF WEAPONS OF MASS  
DESTRUCTION (CCD/514) PROPOSED BY THE SOVIET UNION, AND IT WAS  
SAID THAT SUCH A DEFININTION WAS OF MULTIPURPOSE CHARACTER AND,  
THEREFORE, TOUCHED UPON ALSO THOSE TYPES OF WEAPONS OF MASS  
DESTRUCTION WHICH WERE PROGIBITED BY THE AGREEMENTS IN  
OPERATION OR WHICH WERE DISCUSSED IN THE COURSE OF OTHER  
NEGOTIATIONS. IN THIS CONNECTION WE WOULD LIKE TO STATE  
THAT IN SUBMITTING WORKING DOCUMNET CCD/514 CONTAINING AN  
APPROXIMATE DEFINITION TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON

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DISARMAMENT FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION, WE FIRST OF ALL AIMED  
AT LISTING THE CRITERIA ON THE BASIS OF WHICH IT MIGHT BE  
POSSIBLE TO COME CLOSER TO A MORE SPECIFIC DETERMINATION  
OF OBJECTS FOR PROHIBITION.IT SEEMS TO US THAT THE VIEWS

SET FORTH IN OUR WORKING DOCUMENT AND ALSO DEVELOPED IN THE STATEMENTS BY THE SOVIET DELEGATION AND SOVIET EXPERTS SERVE THIS PURPOSE.

C. CERTAINLY, AN AGREEMENT ON NEW TYPES AND NEW SYSTEMS OF WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION SHOULD NOT PROHIBIT WHAT HAS BEEN ALREADY PROHIBITED BY OTHER AGREEMENTS. THIS CONCERNS, IN PARTICULAR, BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS.

D. AS TO NEW TYPES AND NEW SYSTEMS OF WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION BASED ON PRINCIPLES OF CHEMICAL ACTION, WE AGREE THAT THEY CAN BE COVERED BY AN AGREEMENT RESULTING FROM NEGOTIATIONS ON THE PROHIBITION OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS. IN DETERMINING THE SCOPE OF PROHIBITION AN AGREEMENT ON NEW TYPES AND NEW SYSTEMS OF WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION MUST TAKE INTO ACCOUNT ANY POSSIBLE UNDERSTANDING IN THIS AREA, INCLUDING ANY UNDERSTANDING OF PARTIAL NATURE. NOWEVER, AT THE PRESENT STAGE THERE IS NO AGREEMENT ON THE PROHIBITION OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS AND IT IS NOT KNOWN YET WHAT ITS SCOPE OF PROHIBITION WOULD BE IF IT IS CONCLUDED. A QUESTION ARISES WHETHER IT IS NOT WORTH WHILE EXAMINING A POSSIBILITY OF NEW TYPES AND NEW SYSTEMS OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS TO BE WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION. WE ARE LOOKING FROWARD TO THE VIEWS OF OTHER DELEGATIONS IN THIS REGARD. END QUOTE.

5. COMMENT: WHILE FOREGOING STATEMENT BY SOVIET REP IS HELPFUL IN TERMS OF EXCLUDING BW FROM NEW MDW, IT FAILS TO CLOSE THE LOOP COMPLETELY BY STATING EXPLICITLY THAT BW AGENTS PRODUCED BY GENETIC ENGINEERING ARE PROHIBITED UNDER BW CONVENTION. WHEN CW NEGOTIATIONS BEGIN, SOVIETS AGREE TO REMOVE CW FROM MDW RUBRIC; HOWEVER, UNTIL THAT TIME THEY ARE CLEARLY HEDGING THEIR BET. END COMMENT.

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6. AT RECEPTION ON EVENING PRIOR TO SOVIET STATEMENT, SOVIET REP AND /ALTERNATE REP (NAZARKIN) BOTH MADE POINT OF INFORMING US REP AND ALTERNATE REP, RESPECTIVELY, OF INTENTION TO SPEAK O NEW MDW AT PLENARY NEXT DAY, AND THAT STATEMTNE WOULD MAKE CLEAR THAT NEW MDW DOES NOT INCLUDE WEAPONS ALREADY COVERED BY EXISTING AGREEMENTS. SORENSON

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